

Chambers of Senior Judge Franklin D. Burgess

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Franklin D. Burgess
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1935
Education: Gonzaga 1961 BE, 1966 JD
Began Service: April 1, 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Government: Assistant City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, District of Columbia (1967-1969); Regional Counsel, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (1980-1981)

Judicial: Judge Pro Tem, Municipal Court and Pierce County District Court (1971-1980); Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington (1981-1993)

Legal Practice: Tanner & Burgess (1971-1976); Tanner, McGavick, Felker, Fleming, Burgess & Lazares (1976-1979); McGavick, Burgess, Heller & Foister (1979-1980)

Military Service: United States Air Force (1954-1958)

Current Memberships: Loren Miller Bar Association; National Conference of United States Magistrate Judges; Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association; Washington State Bar Association

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Steven Helgeson** (253) 882-3860
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John C. Coughenour
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1941
Education: Kansas State 1963 BS; Iowa 1966 JD
Began Service: 1981
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Academic: Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, University of Washington (1970-1973)

Judicial: District Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington (1981-2006)

Legal Practice: Bogle & Gates (1966-1970); Bogle & Gates (1971-1981)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Iowa State Bar Association; Washington State Bar Association

Staff

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Term Expires: August 2008
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J. Kelley Arnold
Chief Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1937
Education: Idaho 1961 JD
Began Service: October 28, 1994
Term Expires: October 28, 2010

Government: Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, County of Pierce, Washington (1963-1964)

Judicial: Judge, Washington Superior Court, Pierce County (1982-1994)

Legal Practice: Partner, McCormick, Hoffman, Rees, Arnold & Faubion (1965-1982)

Military Service: United States Army (1961-1963)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The American Inns of Court; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association; Washington State Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Erick Sabo** (253) 882-3880
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Monica Benton
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1954
Education: UCLA BA; Southwestern 1980 JD
Began Service: February 28, 2000
Term Expires: February 2008

Academic: Government Relations Director, NDAA; Senior Attorney, ARRI

Clerkships: Clerk, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington

Government: Prosecuting Attorney, King County (1983-1995)

Judicial: Judge, King County District Court (1995-2000)

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Ramona Witt** (206) 370-8900
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Dean Brett
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**John L. Weinberg**
Magistrate Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1941
Education: Swarthmore 1962 BA;
Chicago 1965 JD
Began Service: October 1, 1973

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Henry L. Burman, Illinois Appellate Court; Law Clerk The Honorable Walter V. Schaefer, Illinois Supreme Court; Law Clerk The Honorable William T. Beeks, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington (1967-1968)

Judicial: Author, "Federal Bail and Detention Handbook", Practising Law Institute (1988)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Perkins Coie LLP (1968-1973)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; King County Bar Association; Washington State Bar Association

Chambers of Magistrate Judge (part-time) David W. Christel

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David W. Christel
Magistrate Judge (part-time)

Began Service: March 2007
Term Expires: March 2011

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Karen A. Overstreet
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1955
Education: U Washington 1977 BA; Oregon 1982 JD
Began Service: January 3, 1994
Term Expires: January 2022

Legal Practice: Partner, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges

Staff

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Philip H. Brandt
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1944
Education: Harvard 1966 AB; U Washington 1972 JD
Began Service: October 11, 1991
Term Expires: October 10, 2019

Government: Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1972); Attorney, Federal Maritime Commission (1972-1973); Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Pierce, Washington (1973-1975); Director, Standards Project, Washington Governor's Committee on Law and Justice (1975-1976)

Judicial: Chief Judge of the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Ninth Circuit

Legal Practice: LeCocq, Simonarson et al. (1976-1986); Attorney, Graham & Dunn PC (1986-1991)

Military Service: United States Navy (1966-1969); United States Naval Reserve (1969-1989)

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